GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
EXTERNAL AFFAIRS
LOK SABHA

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INDIA S CONCERN OVER PAK ASSISTANCE TO TERRORISTS
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Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has expressed its concern over the continued help by Pakistan to various terrorist outfits to launch attacks on India;

(b) if so, the details thereof and the response of the Pakistani Government thereto; and

(c) the steps taken by the Government in this regard?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS(SHRI PRANAB MUKHERJEE)

(a) to (c) Yes. India's concerns have been conveyed to the Government of Pakistan repeatedly, including at the highest level. The issue of terrorism is discussed with Pakistan at the Foreign Secretary talks and the Home Secretary Level talks within the Composite Dialogue, and in the Joint Anti-Terrorism Mechanism (JATM) set up in September 2006. Government expect the Government of Pakistan to implement its commitment at the highest level in the 6 January 2004 Joint Press Statement that it would not permit any territory under Pakistan's control to be used to support terrorism in any manner.